

## **Steering Committee Meeting**

Thursday, November 17,

2015

10:00 AM

*IMRP Conference Room, Downtown Campus*

*Central Connecticut State University*

*New Britain, CT*

**Members Present:** John Santa (acting as committee chair), Vivien Blackford, Atty. Kevin Kane, Hon. Patrick Carroll, and Atty. Thomas Ullmann

**Also Participating:** Andrew Clark, Alex Tsarkov (Executive Director), and Atty. Leland Moore (Staff)

### **MINUTES**

#### **I. MEETING CONVENED**

The meeting was called to order at approximately 10:15 a.m.

#### **II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE 7.23.15 MEETING**

The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and approved by a unanimous vote.

#### **III. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WELCOME**

The committee congratulated Alex Tsarkov on his new role as the Sentencing Commission's Executive Director.

#### **IV. 2016 SENTENCING COMMISSION MEETING SCHEDULE**

The committee decided that the Commission will meet on the following dates during the 2016 year: January 14<sup>th</sup>, March 10<sup>th</sup>, June 9<sup>th</sup>, September 8<sup>th</sup>, and December 8<sup>th</sup>. All meetings are scheduled for 2:00pm and will be held in the legislative office building unless otherwise specified.

#### **V. STRATEGIC PLANNING WORKING GROUP RECOMMENDATION**

Ms. Blackford moved adoption of the Staff and Strategic Planning Working Group recommendations as amended (see attached) and direct the Commission staff to develop and draft an action plan for presentation at the next committee meeting.

The motion was adopted unanimously.

**VI. GOVERNOR'S REQUEST TO EXAMINE BAIL AND DIVERSIONARY PROGRAMS**

The committee discussed the governor's requests regarding bail and pre-trial diversionary programs. The committee instructed staff to research the Commission's authority to consider this issue and draft and develop a scope and tentative work schedule for review at the next meeting.

**VII. OTHER BUSINESS**

The next committee meeting will take place on December 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:30am.

**VIII. MEETING ADJOURNED**

Mr. Santa adjourned the meeting at 11:38 a.m.